

ARKANSAS COURT OF APPEALS
NOT DESIGNATED FOR PUBLICATION
JOSEPHINE LINKER HART, JUDGE

DIVISION III

CA06-678

JAMES E. HORVATH

May 2, 2007

APPELLANT

V.

STATE FARM FEDERAL SAVINGS
BANK

APPEAL FROM THE SALINE
COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT
[NO. CV-2005-809-3]

HON. GRISHAM A. PHILLIPS,
CIRCUIT JUDGE

APPELLEE

APPEAL DISMISSED

James E. Horvath, pro se, appeals from an order of the Saline County Circuit Court denying his motion to dismiss for improper venue. Horvath attempts to argue on appeal that the trial court erred in determining the proper venue for the lawsuit and abused its discretion in refusing to grant a hearing on his motion to dismiss. We, however, must dismiss this appeal because there is no final appealable order.

Generally, subject to limited exceptions not relevant to this case, this court only has jurisdiction to hear appeals from final orders. Ark. R. App. P.-Civ. 2. It is settled law that the denial of a motion to dismiss is not a final appealable order. *Lenders Title Co. v. Chandler*, 353 Ark. 339, 107 S.W.3d 157(2003). We therefore dismiss Horvath's appeal of his motion to dismiss.

We note that Horvath is apparently aware that an appeal is not the proper remedy in this case. In the conclusion of his reply brief, he asks that this court treat his “‘pro se’ pleadings as a petition for a writ of prohibition.” We decline to do so. Pro se appellants receive no special consideration of their argument and are held to the same standard as licensed attorneys. *Paris v. State*, 87 Ark. App. 344, 192 S.W.3d 277 (2004). The court of appeals does not have jurisdiction to take up petitions for writs of prohibition. Ark. S. Ct. R. 1-2(a)(3). It is Horvath’s responsibility to comply with the rules regarding the preparation and filing of a petition for a writ of prohibition.

Appeal dismissed.

BAKER and GRIFFEN, JJ., agree.